



**SUSSEX
CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL**

HOME ANNOUNCEMENTS JUNE 15, 2022

SCHOOL CALENDAR

June 16..... Last Day of School: Jeans Day and 12:30 pm Dismissal
September 1 & 2 ... Teacher In-Service Days
September 5 Labor Day: School Closed
September 6 First Day of School for Kindergarten – 8th Grade
September 7 First Day of School for Preschool 4 Children
September 8 First Day of School for Preschool 3 Children

CONGRATULATIONS 8TH GRADERS!

We hope many of you were able to attend today's 8th grade graduation! We want to congratulate the graduates and wish them all God's blessings in their high school years and beyond! We will miss you but know that God has you in His hands and that He has wonderful plans for your future!



TIME TO SAY FAREWELL

On behalf of the Board, our school, our staff, and our community, I want to express a heart-felt thank you to Mrs. Stephanie Scott, Mr. Nate Ottens, Mrs. Alyssa Ryan, and Mr. Aaron Delbury for their love, dedication, and service to our school! They have been wonderful examples to our students, living out their faith daily, and it has been a pleasure to work alongside them. We continue to pray for the Lord's blessing on their lives as they move forward from Sussex Christian School to the various places around our country where He has called them. We appreciate all that you have done to influence the lives of our community.

~ Mr. Robert Waters

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

We would like to thank all our volunteers who helped us throughout the school year - those who helped with hot lunch, worked in the library, helped with fundraisers, class moms, committee members, and those who helped in countless other ways. You are appreciated beyond measure and are a big reason SCS is more than just a school – it's a family!

VOLUNTEER TUITION CREDITS

All volunteer tuition credit hours need to be submitted to the office now so that we can apply them to your July tuition payment. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Walther.

LIBRARY BOOKS NOW DUE!

All SCS library books should have been returned to the library at this point. If you still have any at home, please be sure to return them tomorrow. Thank you!

A NOTE FROM THE NURSE'S OFFICE

If your child has medication in the nurse's office, please make sure you pick it up before the end of the school day tomorrow. Thank you!

Happy Birthday!

Happy Birthday to all those born in the Summer months!!!

JULY:

Alexandra Jeltema
Naomi Kuiken
Karly Lockburner
Mrs. Niedergall
Kinley Reinhardt
Harper Tilley
Annabella Waters



AUGUST:

Mrs. Bray
Lola Craige
Mrs. Drew
Maggie Irish
Addison Little
Emma Mihalik
Regan O'Connor
Savannah Readmond
Adalyn Tennant
Alina Torppey
Senya Torppey
Mrs. Walther

END OF YEAR INFORMATION

Report cards will be mailed home by the end of June. A back-to-school letter with the school supply lists will be emailed to everyone approximately the first week of August. There will normally be someone in the office on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings with additional days/hours as needed. If you need to get in touch with us, please call during these times, leave a voice message for us or send us an email. We will respond as quickly as possible.

GYM CLOTHING FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

Please be on the lookout for an email in the next few weeks containing a link to order new gym clothing for your child(ren) for the coming school year.

USED SCS GYM CLOTHING

We are accepting donations used, excellent condition SCS gym clothing to pass on to families who may be in need of it. If you have any that your child(ren) have outgrown and are willing to pass along, please send it to school.

FALL SOCCER REGISTRATION

Please be on the lookout for an email mid-summer regarding registration for Fall Soccer. Students in grades 5 – 8 are eligible to join our teams. As a reminder, a current **NJ Sports Physical must be completed and submitted to us prior to starting practice**. If your child plans on participating, please be sure to schedule a physical by mid-August or have your physician complete the paperwork based upon a recent physical.



ASSISTANT SOCCER COACH NEEDED

Attention parents and alumni! We are in need of an assistant soccer coach for next year's soccer season. This is a great experience and a wonderful opportunity to spend time with the kids! Please contact Marlene Meyers at 973.271.5867 if you are interested.

SUMMER TRIP SCHEDULE

Don't forget that this summer, TRIP will be available to process online and paper orders on the following Saturday mornings from 9 am until 10 am in the front entrance foyer:



- June 25
- July 9
- July 23
- August 6
- August 20

Orders will be on a first come/first serve basis. Any gift cards unavailable in our inventory will need to be ordered. They will be available on the following Thursday for pick up.

COLOR WALK-A-THON AWARDS

A BIG THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered, sponsored, and participated in our 2nd Annual Color Walk-a-thon! The students had a blast, and we are excited to announce that they raised **\$13,491.77** in sponsorships!!! Amazing job everyone! Last Friday, the following awards were distributed for the event. (In order to be eligible for an award, the student needed to raise a minimum of \$50 and participate in the Color Walk-a-Thon.)



Student raising most money in their class:

Preschool 4: Annabelle Buske
Kindergarten: RJ Kummer
1st Grade: Logan Vortsel
2nd Grade: Harper Tilley
3rd Grade: Emma Mihalik
4th Grade: Naomi Kuiken
5th Grade: Allison Sytsema
7th Grade: Karly Lockburner

Student walking the most laps in their class:

Preschool 4: Maggie Irish
Kindergarten: Bryer Vellenga
1st Grade: Layk Vellenga
2nd Grade: Rieden Solar
3rd Grade: Skyler Vellenga
4th Grade: Naomi Kuiken
5th Grade: Walker Kuperus
7th Grade: Jack Kuperus

Families Raising over \$500 and receiving a \$50 Gift Card:

- Buske Family
- Jonathan Kuperus Family
- Nick Kuperus Family
- Vortsel Family
- Tilley Family
- Jeltema Family
- Solar Family
- Messina Family
- Kuiken Family
- Lockburner Family

Family raising over \$1500 and receiving a \$150 Gift Card:

- Mihalik Family

Congratulations to the 3rd Grade Class for raising the most money! They received an Ice Cream Party!

A shout out to our business sponsors for the event this year:

- JIL Mechanical Contractors
- M&H Tractor
- Tire King
- Farmside Gardens
- Farmside Landscape & Design
- Clove Brook Market
- GroundEffex Landscape & Design

We were truly blessed this year. The kids were so excited at the awards presentation. They are really looking forward to next year! OEL is very grateful for everyone who made this event happen and we are looking forward to our 3rd Annual Color Walk-A-Thon also! Have a GREAT Summer!!

~ Kristy Lockburner, OEL President

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT SCS

Please be sure to direct anyone you know who is seeking a teaching or paraprofessional position to our website www.SussexChristianSchool.org/employment. We still have several positions available for the 2022-2023 school year.

CAR SHOW COORDINATOR NEEDED

OEL is looking for someone to coordinate the Car Show for the Fall Festival. Information is available to help you put it all together. If you are interested in finding out more about what this entails, please contact Kristy Lockburner at mklockburner@yahoo.com or 973.222.6506.

School Board Meeting Minutes June 7, 2022

Present: Jonathan Kuperus, John Amels, Ken Jeltema, Lisa Kuperus, Nathan Drew, Jeff VDG, Dan Kuperus, Nick Kuperus and Robert Waters

Devotions/Opening Prayer: Lisa Kuperus: REST in prayer devotional. Psalm 46:1-2

Reviewed minutes and action items from the May Board meeting

New family approvals for admissions to SCS were made. Others are scheduled for interviews in the upcoming weeks. Tours, interest and applications continue. We continue to be thankful for the continuing interest in SCS and the many families desiring Christian Education.

Letters and correspondence received by the Board this past month were reviewed.

April and May financial reports were received, reviewed, and approved. The Board and Finance Committee continue to be grateful for the generous donations that come in to the school and the timely tuition payment as we are able to meet our budgetary commitments.

Board approved moving forward with VCA & NCS and contracting with CSM consulting firm to explore how the schools can better align our efforts, plan for growth and strengthen Christian Education in Sussex County and the surrounding areas.

School Board thanked John Amels and Ken Jeltema for their years of service. Welcoming Ken back and welcoming new member Nick Kuperus.

New Board Executive Team is as follows:

Jonathan Kuperus – President
Jeff Vander Groef – Vice President
Lisa Kuperus – Secretary
Treasurer – Ken Jeltema
Assistant Treasurer – Nick Kuperus

New Committee Liaisons as follows:

Education Committee – Lisa Kuperus
Technology now under Education – Jon Kuperus contact
Athletics – Nick Kuperus
Buildings and Grounds – Dan Kuperus & Nathan Drew

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Public Relations – Lisa Kuperus
Special Education – Jeff Vander Groef
Finance – Ken Jeltema & Nick Kuperus
Spiritual Development – Dan Kuperus

Mr. Waters reported the growth we are seeing for the 2022-2023 school year and that we are close to meeting our budget of 120 students. Board discussed the student growth and need for new hires – interviewing continues in both areas. Mr. Waters also reported that SCS, with the recommendation for the Education Committee, will begin a partnership with Faith Center for the Arts to teach instrumental lessons to our students. More details will come with new school year information to families. We welcome back this opportunity for our students to develop their musical skills at SCS.

The Board welcomes Laura Thiessen to the faculty for the 2022-2023 school year. Board acknowledged the following staff departures and are grateful for their time of service and teaching at SCS: Stephanie Scott, Alyssa (Amels) Ryan, Aaron Delbury, Nate Ottens, Emily Waters, Emily Kuperus and Loren Klotz. We wish them all God's blessings in where the Lord is leading them.

Meeting was closed in prayer.

In His Service,
Lisa Kuperus , School Board Secretary